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Energy Analysis Seminar Series

A "brown bag" analytical seminar series

Energy Program Benefits Analysis

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10-11 a.m. (videoconference in Golden)

Learn about the past, present, and future of energy program benefits analysis at this month's Energy Analysis Seminar. Mary Beth Zimmerman of DOE/EERE will discuss the history and current status of energy program benefits analysis throughout all of DOE's energy programs. She'll talk about some of the major issues affecting this analysis, including timeframes, baselines, analytic methods, and more. Zimmerman's presentation also will highlight some of the current drivers that shape benefits analysis, focusing on Congressional requirements, the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), and the OMB Program Assessment Rating Tool (PART). And, finally, she will give her outlook on where energy program benefits analysis is going – both short and long term.

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